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Norfolk, Va 23511-2699

Re: Naval Weapons Station, Yorktown, Va.  
Site 12  
Review of the Navy's 1/9/1996 Response to EPA's 11/9/1995 Review comments

Dear Mr. Stryker:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Navy's January 9, 1996 response letter to EPA's November 9, 1995 review letter concerning the draft *Remedial Investigation* for Site 12, located at the Naval Weapons Station-Yorktown, and we offer the following comments as outlined below:

1. EPA recommends that an attempt to measure contaminant uptake in aquatic organisms, via tissue sampling, be undertaken at Site 12.
2. Lead should be retained as a contaminant of ecological concern for sediment at Site 12.
3. Please reference Ms. J. Dinan of the USEPA, including address and telephone number. For future reference, please coordinate toxicological issues related to the Naval Weapons Station-Yorktown with Nancy Jafolla.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to call me at (215) 597-1110,

Sincerely,

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